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	First Named Inventor	SHANNON, KAREN W.
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	Group Art Unit	1631
	Examiner Name	Whaley, Pablo S.
	Title	"METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING SUITABLE NUCLEIC ACID NORMALIZATION PROBE SEQUENCES FOR USE IN NUCLEIC ACID ARRAYS"

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 26, 2007 for which a three month period for response was given, making this response due by April 26, 2007. Accordingly, this amendment is timely filed.

In view of the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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